

**ADDITIONAL NOTE ON A NEW SPECIES OF *NEODIPHTHERA*
FLETCHER (LEPIDOPTERA: SATURNIIDAE) FROM
NORTHEASTERN QUEENSLAND**

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Abstract

The record of a female *Neodiphthera* Fletcher specimen from Groote Eylandt, Northern Territory, is confirmed.

Discussion

Lane and Naumann (2003) questioned the locality data for a specimen of *Neodiphthera* Fletcher from Groote Eylandt, Northern Territory. John d'Apice (pers. comm., 25 July 2003) has confirmed that the labelling of a pinkish brown female (Groote Eylandt, Northern Territory, 18.v.1982, J.W.C. d'Apice & V.J. Robinson) is correct.

This distribution record is a most unexpected one, as the genus is apparently absent from the Bamaga area at the tip of Cape York Peninsula, but present at Iron Range and Silver Plains in central Cape York Peninsula, in New Guinea, Aru Island of Indonesia, and on Groote Eylandt. Further collecting is required to confirm the status of specimens from this area, provisionally referred to *N. sulphurea* Lane & Naumann (Lane and Naumann 2003).

Reference

LANE, D.A. and NAUMANN, S. 2003. A new species of *Neodiphthera* Fletcher (Lepidoptera: Saturniidae) from northeastern Queensland. *Australian Entomologist* 30(2): 79-86.